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**National Endowment for the Arts
Accessibility Grant Programs**

Program: The National Endowment for the Arts has announced three separate projects designed to make the arts and opportunities in the arts more accessible to people with disabilities or those in healthcare settings. Grant applications are invited for each of the following projects:

- 1) *Statewide Forums on Careers in the Arts*: The NEA plans to award a grant an organization to oversee, manage, and support a minimum of five 2005 Statewide Forums on Careers in the Arts for People with Disabilities in states that have not yet convened a forum. Each forum should engage key individuals and organizations from the arts and disability communities.
- 2) *Access to Design Professions*: The NEA plans to award a grant to one organization that will work closely with an established national task force on a variety of projects designed to recruit people with disabilities and support them in pursuing careers in design.
- 3) *The Arts in Healthcare Consulting Program*: The NEA plans to award a grant to one organization that will work with arts, healthcare, and higher education groups that serve artists, patients, educators, and caregivers to help improve and increase professional arts programs in healthcare settings.

The National Endowment for the Arts requires a match of at least 100 percent in nonfederal funds. Matching funds may be all cash or a combination of cash and in-kind contributions. An initial grant period of up to two years is allowed.

Funds: *Statewide Forums on Careers in the Arts*

Grant size: up to \$50,000

Number of awards: one

Access to Design Professions

Grant size: up to \$65,000

Number of awards: one

The Arts in Healthcare Consulting Program

Grant size: up to \$45,000

Number of awards: one

Deadline: December 20, 2004.

Eligible: Nonprofit, tax-exempt, 501(c)(3) organizations and units of state local governments

Information: Office of Guidelines & Panel Operations, Room 516, National Endowment for the Arts, 1100 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20506-0001, Telephone: (202) 682-5532, Link: <http://www.nea.gov/grants/apply/Accessibility.html>

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE

Verizon Wireless New England HopeLine Grant Program

- Program:** Verizon Wireless New England has launched a grant program to make funds available to not-for-profit organizations that work with victims of domestic violence. The funds donated are the direct result of consumers donating their cellular phones that are no longer in use to HopeLine, a national initiative of Verizon Wireless that encourages consumers to recycle wireless products. Not-for-profit organizations that work in some capacity with victims of domestic violence may apply for a grant once per quarter and as often as three times per year. Grants will be awarded to support direct client services, raise public awareness about domestic violence, and train staff and volunteers.
- Funds:** Grant size: \$1,000 per quarter
- Deadline:** Ongoing; funds are distributed each quarter.
- Eligible:** Nonprofit, tax-exempt in Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Vermont, New Hampshire, and Maine.
- Information:** HopeLine New England, Telephone: (781) 932-1510, E-mail: Hopeline.NewEngland@VerizonWireless.com, Link: <http://news.vzw.com/news/2004/05/pr2004-05-06a.html>

EDUCATION

Staples Foundation Funds to Promote Learning

- Program:** The Staples Foundation for Learning will provide funds to support programs providing job skills and education for all people, with emphasis on disadvantage youth.
- Funds:** Range of grants: \$5,000 to \$25,000
- Deadline:** January 3, 2005
- Eligible:** Nonprofit organizations with 501 (c) (3) status
- Information:** Staples Foundation for Learning, 500 Staples Drive Four West, Framingham, MA 01702, Fax: (508) 253-9600, E-mail: foundationinfo@staples.com, Link: <http://www.staplesfoundation.org/>

ENVIRONMENT

Environmental Protection Agency Targeted Grants to Reduce Childhood Lead Poisoning

- Program:** The Environmental Protection Agency is soliciting grant proposals from eligible entities to conduct activities to reduce incidences of childhood lead poisoning in

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vulnerable populations, including projects to:

- 1) Address areas with high incidences of elevated blood-lead levels;
- 2) Identify and address areas with high potential for heretofore undocumented elevated blood-lead levels;
- 3) Develop tools to address unique and challenging issues in lead poisoning prevention; and
- 4) Identify tools that are replicable and scalable for other areas.

Activities eligible for funding include outreach and public education, data gathering, monitoring, training, inspections and assessments, demonstrations, and new, innovative approaches for identifying or reducing lead poisoning.

Funds: Total funds available: \$750,000
Range of grants: \$25,000 to \$100,000

Deadline: January 31, 2005

Eligible: State governments, local governments, federally recognized Indian Tribes and tribal consortia, territories, private and state-controlled institutions of higher learning, and nonprofit organizations, including community action agencies and other organizations having 501(c)(3) status.

Information: James M. Bryson, US Environmental Protection Agency Region 1 (CPT), One Congress St., Suite 1100, Boston, MA 02114-0203, Telephone: (617) 918-1524, Fax: (617) 918-0524, E-mail: bryson.jamesm@epa.gov, Link:

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HEALTH

National 4-H Council

2005 Healthy Lifestyles Grant Program

Program: The National 4-H Council, with funding from Kraft Foods, Inc., and Cargill, Inc., is offering local grants to develop or expand innovative and fun programs to help communities create educational programs and public awareness to confront and reverse the climbing trends of overweight and obesity among youth. These programs must partner youth ages five to 12 with adults.

Funds: Total funds available: \$150,000

Grant size: up to \$7,500

Deadline: Friday, January 14, 2005

Eligible: 4-H and Cooperative Extension related not-for-profit organizations

Information: JoAnne Leatherman, Program Coordinator, National 4-H Council, 7100 Connecticut Avenue, Chevy Chase, MD 20815, Telephone: (301) 961-2870, Fax: (301) 961-2894, E-mail: jleatherman@fourhcouncil.edu, Link: www.fourhcouncil.edu/pGrntHealthyLS.aspx

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**U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
Health Resources and Services Administration
Pathways for Health Professions Program**

- Program:** The Health Resources and Services Administration has funding available for a competitive grant program that supports the continuation and development of innovative, culturally competent approaches that encourage underrepresented minority and disadvantaged students in colleges and universities, community colleges, elementary, middle, and high schools to pursue a career in a health or allied health field. This program consists of two distinct grants:
- 1) Primary Pathways – promotes academic achievement and exposes students in grades kindergarten through 12 to health and allied health professions through innovative, non-traditional methods, with an emphasis on health professions that are experiencing severe shortages across the country; and
 - 2) Advanced Pathways – promotes academic achievement and exposes and prepares high school and undergraduate students to pursue careers in health and allied health professions, including faculty membership and research.
- Eligible participants include underrepresented minorities, educationally and economically disadvantaged elementary, middle, high school, community college, and undergraduate students. They must be U.S. citizens, non-citizen nationals, or those foreign nationals who possess a visa permitting permanent residence in the U.S.
- Funds:** Total funds available: \$400,000
- Deadline:** December 17, 2004
- Eligible:** Elementary, middle, and high schools, community colleges, colleges and universities, and institutions of higher education, non-profit community-based organizations, including faith-based organizations, and health or educational professional organizations.
- Information:** Jeanean Willis, DPM, Division of Health Careers Diversity and Development, Bureau of Health Professions, HRSA, Parklawn Building, Room 8-55, 5600 Fishers Lane, Rockville, MD 20857, Telephone: (301) 443-4494, Fax: (301) 443-4943, E-mail: jwillis@hrsa.gov, Link: www.hrsa.gov/grants/preview/guidanceprofessions/hrsa05118.htm
- FR:** 11/29 69375

HOUSING

**U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
Section 202 Demonstration Planning Grant Program**

- Program:** The purpose of this Demonstration Planning Grant Program is to assist sponsors of projects that receive Fund Reservation Awards pursuant to the fiscal year 2004 Super Notice of Funding Availability for the Section 202 Supportive Housing for the Elderly Program by providing predevelopment grant funding for architectural and engineering work, site control, and other planning related expenses that are eligible for funding under the Section 202 Supportive Housing for the Elderly Program. Subsequent to

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providing predevelopment grant funding to the selected applicants, this Demonstration Planning Grant will assess the impact of the availability of such funding on the ability of project sponsors to expedite the development processing of projects from Section 202 Fund Reservation to Initial Closing within 18 months.

Funds: Total funds available: \$44,719,500
Deadline: January 10, 2005
Eligible: Private nonprofit organizations and nonprofit consumer cooperatives that submitted an application for funding consideration under the FY 2004 SuperNOFA for the Section 202 Supportive Housing for the Elderly Program.
Information: U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Field Office, Thomas P. O'Neill, Jr., Federal Building, 10 Causeway Street, Room 301, Boston, MA 02222-1092, Telephone: (617) 994-8500, Link:
<http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/06jun20041800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2004/04-26115.htm>
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**U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
Revitalization of Severely Distressed Public Housing
HOPE VI Revitalization Grants Fiscal Year 2004**

Program: The purpose of HOPE VI revitalization grants is to assist public housing authorities to:

- 1) Improve the living environment for public housing residents of severely distressed public housing projects through the demolition, rehabilitation, reconfiguration, or replacement of obsolete public housing projects;
- 2) Revitalize sites, including remaining public housing dwelling units, on which such public housing projects are located and contribute to the improvement of the surrounding neighborhood;
- 3) Provide housing that will avoid or decrease the concentration of very low-income families; and
- 4) Build sustainable communities.

Funds: Total funds available:
Revitalization Grants: \$120 million
Housing Choice Voucher Assistance: \$ 20 million
Deadline: February 1, 2005
Eligible: Public housing authorities that have severely distressed housing in their inventory and are otherwise in conformance with the threshold requirements of the federal funding
Information: Mr. Milan Ozdinec, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Public Housing Investments, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 Seventh Street, SW., Room 4130, Washington, DC 20410-5000, Telephone: (202) 401-8812, Fax: (202) 401-2370, Link:
<http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/06jun20041800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2004/04-24275.htm>
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JOB TRAINING

Neighborhood Jobs Trust and the Office of Jobs and Community Services Request for Proposals for “Steps to Employment” Adult Skills Training Services

- Program:** On behalf of the Neighborhood Jobs Trust, the Office of Jobs and Community Services plans to issue a Request for Proposals (RFP) for adult skills training services on November 22, 2004. The purpose of this “Steps to Employment” Skills Training RFP is to identify basic and vocational skills training services which will enable unemployed and underemployed Boston residents to move into skilled, entry-level employment. The Office of Jobs and Community Services seeks proposals that will integrate basic skills with specific occupational skills, provide comprehensive case management, and demonstrate strong employer involvement. The funder has a particular interest in evening and weekend training to accommodate the needs of many Bostonians who are only able to participate in off-hours training. Among the service populations, the Office of Jobs and Community Services also hopes to reach in larger numbers are men of all ages to address the historical under-representation of men in skills training programs. The RFP will be available at the Office of Jobs and Community Services. A bidders’ conference will be held November 30 at 10:00 a.m. in the Rabb Lecture Hall of the Copley Library.
- Funds:** Total funds available: \$1 million
- Deadline:** January 6, 2005 at 4:00 p.m.
- Eligible:** Public and nonprofit agencies and organizations, including institutions of higher education,
- Information:** Ken Barnes, Office of Jobs and Community Services, 43 Hawkins Street, Boston, Massachusetts 02114, E-mail: ken.barnes.jcs@ci.boston.ma.us

SUBSTANCE ABUSE

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration Grants for Treatment Coordination

- Program:** The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Administration has issued a request for proposals for the State Adolescent Substance Abuse Treatment Coordination grants. The grants are designed to enable states to build accessible and affordable substance abuse treatment for adolescents.
- Funds:** Total funds available: \$7.1 million
Grant size: up to \$400,000 per year for up to three years
Number of awards: 22
- Deadline:** January 12, 2005
- Eligible:** States
- Information:** Randolph D. Muck, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration, One Choke Cherry Road, Room 5-1083, Rockville, MD 20857, Telephone: (240) 276-

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1576, E-mail: randy.muck@samhsa.hhs.gov, Link:
http://www.samhsa.gov/Grants/2005/nofa/ti05006_adolescents.aspx

TRANSPORTATION

U.S. Department of Transportation

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Innovative Grants to Support Increased Safety Belt Use Rates

Program: The objective of the Innovative Grants to Support Increased Safety Belt Use Rates grant program is to increase statewide safety belt use rates by supporting strategies and activities with the greatest potential for impact. To be considered for an award under this program in FY 2005, the state must conduct a program of high-visibility enforcement of its safety belt law.

Funds: Minimum grant size: \$250,000

Deadline: January 10, 2005

Eligible: States, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico, through their Governors' Representatives for Highway Safety

Information: Janice Hartwill-Miller, Occupant Protection Division (NTI-112), Office of Program Development and Delivery, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 400 Seventh Street, SW, Room 5118, Washington, DC 20590, Telephone: (202) 366-2684, E-mail: Janice.hartwill-miller@nhtsa.dot.gov, Link: <http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/06jun20041800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2004/04-26351.htm>

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VIOLENCE PREVENTION

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

National Academic Centers of Excellence on Youth Violence Prevention

Program: The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention announces the availability of fiscal year 2005 cooperative agreement funds to establish up to ten National Academic Centers of Excellence on Youth Violence Prevention, serving as national models for the prevention of youth violence. The purpose of the centers is to help communities prevent youth interpersonal violence. As of 2005, Centers will be supported for up to ten years to promote a stable, long term focus on the complex problem of youth violence, fostering multidisciplinary and multi-sectoral interactions that can stimulate scientific creativity, speed new developments in youth interpersonal violence research and practice, and hasten translation of knowledge into health and community practice. Centers are expected to actively foster an environment conducive to reciprocally beneficial collaborations among health scientists, social scientists, and the affected communities with the common goal of reducing youth interpersonal violence.

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Funds: Total funds available: \$6,800,000
Average grant size: \$830,000
Number of awards: seven to ten

Deadline: Letter of intent: December 22, 2004
Application: February 10, 2005

Eligible: Academic institutions and enters with a focus on health, such as public and private nonprofit universities, colleges, and university-associated teaching hospitals.

Information: Thomas Voglesonger, National Center for Injury Prevention and Control, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 4770 Buford Highway, NE. MS K-02, Atlanta, GA 30341, Telephone: (770) 488-4823, Fax: (770) 488-1662, E-mail: TVoglesonger@cdc.gov, Link: <http://a257.g.akamaitech.net/7/257/2422/06jun20041800/edocket.access.gpo.gov/2004/04-25667.htm>

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U.S. Department of Justice

Violence Against Women Research and Evaluation Concept Paper

Program: The Department of Justice National Institute of Justice is soliciting concept papers for research and evaluation on violence against women in three areas: sexual violence, intimate partner violence, and stalking. Proposed research should have the potential to reduce the level of violence against women, increase the safety of women, and improve criminal justice policy and practice.

Funds: Total funds available: up to \$4 million
Number of awards: up to 15

Deadline: January 5, 2005

Eligible: Public and nonprofit agencies and organizations, including institutions of higher education,

Information: U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, 810 Seventh Street N.W., Washington, DC 20531, Telephone: (800) 421-6770, Link: <http://www.ncjrs.org/pdffiles1/nij/sl000690.pdf>

YOUTH AND FAMILIES

Roxbury Trust Fund Committee Trust

Youth Development and Family Services Initiative

Program: The Roxbury Trust Fund Committee Trust, Inc. has issued a Request for Proposals for a Youth Development and Family Services Initiative. Youth development may involve increasing academic skills and achievement levels of youth, leadership training to develop future community leaders, exposure to the arts and the development of artistic or literary skills and talents, and providing community-based recreational opportunities and summer or school vacation programming. Family services may include health and wellness programs, parenting training, child care programs, immigrant services, translation services, language education, social and

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recreational opportunities targeted at seniors in the community such as adult daycare and programs aimed at protecting the elderly from consumer fraud, and other activities promoting socialization and contributions to the civic life of the community across generations. The purpose of the Roxbury Trust Fund Committee Trust is to administer and distribute community development funds “for the benefit of the Roxbury community” including religious, charitable, scientific, literary, and educational purposes within the meaning of those terms used in section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. The Roxbury Trust has four program funding areas:

- 1) Youth Development,
- 2) Family Services,
- 3) Community Economic Development, and
- 4) Enhanced Physical Environment.

The Trust encourages collaborative efforts.

Funds: Total funds available: \$200,000
Range of grants: \$5,000 to \$40,000

Deadline: December 15, 2004 at 4:00 p.m.

Eligible: Not-for-profit organizations providing services in Roxbury to residents of Roxbury within the 02118, 02119, 02120, and 02121 zip codes and with demonstrated expertise working with Roxbury youth and families to promote a healthy community.

Information: Babanina James, The Roxbury Trust Fund Committee Trust, 2201 Washington Street, Suite 300, Roxbury MA 02119, E-mail: RoxburyTrust@yahoo.com

Brookdale Foundation Group Relatives as Parents Program

Program: The Brookdale Foundation Group’s Relatives as Parents grant program encourages the creation and expansion of services for grandparents and other relatives who serve as surrogate parents when the biological parents are unwilling or unable to do so. Grants are awarded over a two-year period and must be matched by cash or in-kind support.

Funds: Average grant size: \$10,000

Deadline: January 13, 2005

Eligible: Nonprofit organizations

Information: Melinda Perez-Porter, Brookdale Foundation Group, 950 Third Avenue, 19th Floor, New York, NY 10022, Telephone: (212) 308-7355, Email: mpp@brookdalefoundation.org, Link: <http://www.brookdalefoundation.org>

Associated Grant Makers Summer Fund

Program: The Summer Fund is a donor collaborative, managed by Associated Grant Makers, that generates resources to support and strengthen summer camps serving the low-income neighborhoods of Boston, Cambridge, Chelsea, and Somerville. Through the Summer Fund process, Associated Grant Makers serves as a broker between community agencies administering summer camps and the corporate, foundation, and individual

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donors who offer financial support to these camps. The Fund contributes to quality summer camps that provide youth with opportunities for skill development, personal growth, and new experiences. The Summer Fund provides funding in four categories.

- 1) General Camp Operating Support: Helping Kids Learn, Grow, and Have Fun – The Summer Fund provides camps with funding that can be used for general operating expenses.
- 2) The Educational Initiative: Giving Kids An Academic Boost – Through training and educational resources specifically designed for staff working with urban youth, camps are more prepared to provide services that address the whole child while building their educational programming.
- 3) Cultural Day: Providing Kids with Cultural Experiences – The Cultural Day program supports free admissions during the summer for campers to eight leading Boston area cultural and educational programs, as well as reduced cost admissions to 27 other organizations, including the Franklin Park Zoo, the USS Constitution, museums, dance workshops, and theater productions.
- 4) Homeless Campership Fund: Getting Homeless Kids to Camp – The Homeless Campership Fund offers subsidies to camps that provide access to homeless children living in shelters.

The Summer Fund provides camps with funding that can be used for general operating expenses, not capital improvements. Recommendations are based on the camp's proposal, request, final report, site visit evaluations, and the anticipated funds available through the 2005 Summer Fund. First-time applicants are eligible to apply for a maximum of \$5,000, while camps that have been funded for a year or more may apply for up to 40 percent of their cash budget.

Funds: Total funds awarded: \$1.2 million annually
Average grant: \$17,000

Deadline: Monday, January 3, 2005 by 5:00 p.m.

Eligible: Summer camps with a private nonprofit fiscal agent are eligible to apply. Residential camps should meet American Camping Association guidelines and day camps should meet Department of Public Health requirements. The Summer Fund is intended for summer camps serving inner-city, school-age youth from Boston, Cambridge, Chelsea, and Somerville.

Information: Associated Grant Makers, Summer Fund, 55 Court Street, Suite 520, Boston, MA 02108, Telephone: (617) 426-2606, Fax: (617) 426-2849, Link: www.agmconnect.org/summerfund/index.html

FOUNDATION PROFILE

The Avon Foundation Economic Opportunity Program

Program: Through its foundation, the Avon Company supports organizations and programs that provide women and their families with economic opportunity as well as physical and emotional well-being. These include programs that offer adult women the ability to

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acquire the skills and support they need to become economically stable. In addition, the sponsor works with preparatory programs, directed toward girls and teens, that teach the skills needed to assume adult roles with strength, optimism, and leadership.

Funds: Total funds available: \$ 7 million per year

Range of grants: \$20,000 to \$75,000

Deadline: The funder encourages the submission of a preliminary application letter.

Eligible: Nonprofit, tax-exempt organizations that meet Internal Revenue Code 501(c)(3) requirements and qualified governmental units or agencies.

Information: Avon Foundation, 1345 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 10105-0196, Telephone: (866) 505-AVON, E-mail: info@avonfoundation.org, Link: www.avoncompany.com/women/avonfoundation/gapeop.html